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First Baptist Head Start

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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Applicant: First Baptist Church Head Start, Applicant form identifier: FB471-15 Form Application Number: 875406. USAC "Postmarked outside of window" waiver letter.

To Whom It May Concern:

I write this waiver letter of appeal on behalf of First Baptist Church Head Start. We received notification USAC stating that our Form 471 application and/or certification was submitted postmarked AFTER the deadline for the application to be considered as filed within the window. The USAC letter states that program rules state that our application must be held pending final review of applications filed within the window.

At the time, we were fairly new to the USAC process and I was the individual in charge of filing. Unfortunately, I was out of my office for personal reasons and upon return realized that Form 471 had to be submitted. Thus, I submitted the Form 471 in hopes that it would be accepted. Understandably, USAC has decided otherwise.

We humbly ask that the FCC highly consider our Letter of waiver to have USAC reconsider the decision of holding our application and put it back into window.

If you need further information, please feel free to contact me at any time at (925)473-2000 ext. 108 or <u>aspencer-brown@firstbaptistheadstart.org</u>.

Again, thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director